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MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE
ON
LAW AND JUSTICE

Tuesday, September 12, 2017 9:00 a.m. Room 327 House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Law and Justice was called to order by Chairman Kesto.

Members present: Reps. Kesto, Lucido, Graves, Howrylak, Roberts, Theis, Albert, Chang, Robinson, Guerra, Liberati, Wittenberg.

Members absent/excused: None.

Representative Lucido moved to adopt the minutes of June 20, 2017. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

Chairman Kesto laid the following House Concurrent Resolution before the committee:

HCR 11 (Yaroach)	A concurrent resolution to urge the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration and federal prosecutors to either enforce the federal statute criminalizing marijuana or the U.S. Congress to amend the Controlled Substances Act of 1970 to defer to the states the right to regulate marijuana within its borders under state law.
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Representative Yaroach testified in support of HCR 11. Questions and discussion followed.

Jen Rigterink, representing the Michigan Municipal League (MML), submitted a card in support of HCR 11, not wishing to speak but indicating that the MML supports any efforts that call on the Federal Government to provide the necessary guidance for states on this issue.

Chairman Kesto laid the following bill before the committee:

HB 4606 (Lucido)	Crimes; controlled substances; provision related to transportation or possession of usable marihuana; repeal.
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Representative Lucido testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

Chairman Kesto laid the committee at ease, the time being 9:30 a.m.

Vice-Chairman Lucido took the gavel and called the committee back to order, the time being 9:32 a.m.

Vice-Chairman Lucido laid the following bill before the committee:

HB 4751 (Kesto)	Family law; marriage and divorce; enforceability of prenuptial agreements; clarify.
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Chairman Kesto testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

Vice-Chairman Lucido laid the committee at ease, the time being 9:55 a.m.

Chairman Kesto returned to the gavel and called the committee back to order, the time being 9:56 a.m.

Elizabeth Bransdorfer, representing the Family Law Section of the Michigan State Bar, testified in opposition to the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

There being no further business before the committee, Chairman Kesto adjourned the meeting, the time being 10:12 a.m.

Representative Klint Kesto, Chair_____

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